

CONTEST TO CUT DOWN FAT

Village Butcher Installs Penny Weighing Machine and Makes Money Weighing the Entrants.

Middletown, Conn.—The anti-fat contest started among a dozen of the most prominent women of Deep River village about a month ago, now has progressed so far that the whole community is watching the outcome with breathless interest. The women, divided into two teams, are striving to see which side will be able to reduce their weight the most at the end of six months.

The team led by Mrs. Ernest Prann, wife of the village editor, is now slightly in the lead. Mrs. James H. Messenger, the Baptist minister's



On the Weighing Machine.

wife, still is confident of success, and this week ordered her followers on a no-breakfast diet. So interested have the villagers become, that last night the standing of the two teams at the end of the fourth week was posted in the village grocery, along with the baseball scores.

The village butcher is about the only one who opposed the contest. For several weeks he complained bitterly because his sales fell off as a result of the dieting, while frequent calls to weigh the contestants obliged him to hire an extra boy.

A House for You.

"If you have sense, and feeling, determine what sort of house will be fit for you, determine to work for it—to get it—and to die in it, if the Lord will. I mean, one that you can entirely enjoy and manage; but which you will not be proud of, except as you make it charming in its modesty."—Ruskin.

DR. DOLLE'S MESSAGE TO MEN
YOU CAN BE CURED BY

DR. C. L. DOLLE.

Why Take Treatment That Is Doing You No Good, When a Few Days under the care of Dr. Dolle Will Show You How Easy It Is to Cure These Diseases When the Proper Treatment Is Administered.

Have you treated for months and years, and been disappointed until you think that you cannot be cured? You, no doubt, all this time have been treated by inexperienced doctors who had neither sufficient knowledge nor experience to know how to cure you.

These are the diseases of which I have cured so many, justly giving me the reputation for curing of which I am so proud.

Blood Diseases, Skin Diseases
I will give you treatment that will in a few days cure all rash, spots and every skin symptom. My treatment gets the poison out of the system by driving it in like ordinary treatments. I cure blood diseases and skin diseases so they cannot come back.

Varicose, causing aching or pain in groin or back, Nervousness, Weakness, Loss of Vitality, Lack of Ambition—My treatment cures is what you should have and what you will have to have to be cured right. Only one visit is required. I do not cut and you suffer no pain nor trouble. All signs disappear in a few days.

Nervous Troubles, Lost Vitality
My combined treatment for these troubles so common among those who have become weak and worn out, have caused it by folly, dissipation and excesses, is remarkably good. No one believes how quickly it benefits until they have taken it. It overcomes weakness, nervousness, pain in back, lack of energy, ambition and strength—it's just the treatment I have found so effective in treating such diseases.

Kidney and Bladder Troubles
are scientifically cured by me. My methods immediately benefit you, and the majority of cases I cure come from physicians and specialists who failed.

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Acute Diseases—Itching, Burning, strong drug store remedies seldom cure. My treatment stops every symptom and cures in a few days. It is scientific—that's the only sure way to be cured so it will not come back.

You can take my Treatment without a cent and pay me after I cure you. I know that I can give you new life, new hope, and can restore you back to health and happiness. I know that every man will pay after I have eliminated every trace of disease from his system. Microscopical and analytical urinalysis FREE. I have written a book that ought to be in the hands of every suffering man in this country. I will send you a copy, free, if you will write me at once the disease for which you desire treatment. Hours, 9 to 1; Sundays, 9 to 1 p. m. Evenings, 7 to 9 on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday nights.

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ANGRY WIFE WHIPS
AN OFFICE GIRL

A Painful Drama Is Enacted in a "Painless Dentist's" Parlor in Missouri.

SAW TROUBLE COMING

Kansas City Woman Invades Her Husband's Place of Business—The Doctor Says His Employee Was Not Struck by Jealous Spouse.

Kansas City, Mo.—Over the door of the office on Main street hangs the sign:

PAINLESS DENTIST.

Entered Mrs. Bessie Burrows, the wife of Dr. George C. Burrows, the painless dentist, the other afternoon. Her husband and his office girl were there. Mrs. Burrows held one hand behind a fold of her skirt. But something black and ominous looking stuck out from the hiding place.

"I looked up and saw my wife and knew it meant trouble," Doctor Burrows, the painless dentist, said the next day. "I had lived with her nine years and knew something was going to happen from the look in her eye."

What Mrs. Burrows saw she didn't tell. But the black something concealed behind the folds of the skirt was produced. It was a whip. At this point the versions of the painful drama that followed in the painless office vary.

Mrs. Burrows, it was said, proceeded to horsewhip the office girl. It is said she struck her again and again with the whip until the husband, recovering from his surprise, sprang upon his wife and took the whip away.

Doctor Burrows was very reluctant to recite the details of the drama, but he was quite certain, he told a reporter, that the horsewhipping of the office girl did not occur.

"As soon as I saw my wife start for her," the dentist said, "I jumped up



Proceeded to Horsewhip the Girl.

from my chair and seized the whip. "I turned my head and told the girl to go home, that there was going to be trouble. She put on her hat and went out, and she hasn't come back. I don't know whether she's coming back or not."

Burrows said after the girl had left, his wife remained and they argued the matter for several hours.

"Our voices may have got pretty loud," he said. "I guess that was how this trouble got out."

Burrows said he knew no reason why his wife should attack the office girl except that she was of a jealous disposition.

"She had only been here two months," he said.

STRIKE AT THOSE WHO FLIRT

Atlanta Women Ask for Co-Operation of the Police Department in Suppressing Nuisance.

Atlanta, Ga.—Atlanta young men who have been in the habit of carrying on street flirtations and Atlanta girls guilty of careless conduct are aimed at in a "campaign for purifying the city," which was inaugurated at a meeting for women only here recently.

Resolutions were adopted asking the "co-operation of the police department and the city judiciary toward the suppression of the collecting of idle men on street corners," and pledging mothers to efforts to stop "the constant parading of the streets by young girls."

Digs Up Bank to Pay Bill.

Pottsville, Pa.—Arrested for the non-payment of a debt and about to be taken to prison, John Yann of Mount Pleasant told the officers that he would pay the bill in full.

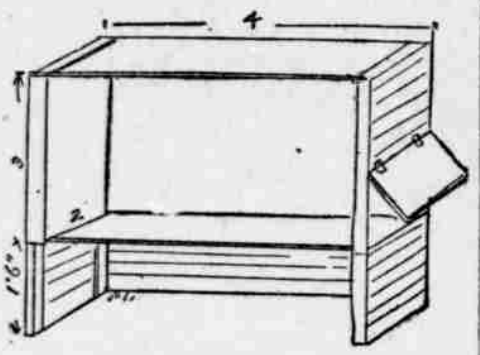
Yann secured a pick and led them to the mountainside in the rear of his home, where he dug up \$700 in savings in an old jar. The bill was speedily paid and the man released.

Yann said he knew of several instances where friends who were afterward killed had concealed money in considerable sums in the same manner, and added that this will never be found, unless by the rarest accident.

POULTRY
BOX COOP FOR SMALL FLOCK

Inexpensive Poultry House in Which Few Chickens May Be Kept With Minimum of Work.

(By T. H. VAN BENTHUYSEN.)
The following plan is recommended to any one who desires to keep a few fowls for the purpose of supplying eggs for his own family:
In making my first house of this description, I secured from a dry goods store and ordinary packing box,

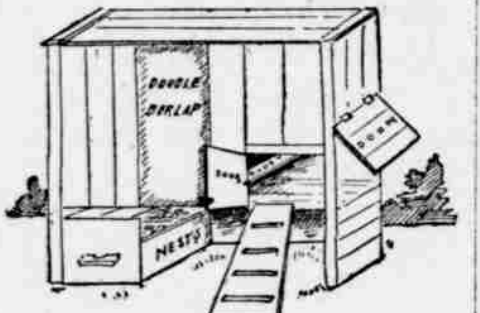


Front View.

about 2x3x4 feet. This cost me 25 cents.

The front, or top, was first taken off the case, and a section of one side extending its full width, was hinged so that easy access to the interior could be secured. Then the case was mounted on legs so that its bottom was about a foot and a half from the ground. Then boards were placed snugly around the rear and sides of the legs, from the bottom of the case to the ground.

The roost was next constructed, and for this small lengths of boards may be used. For the roost and legs I used what is termed "scantling," or



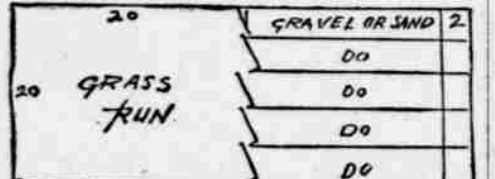
Interior View.

sufficient space to slide it in (or out) through the end hinged door. When placed in the coop, it laid directly on the floor so that the chickens roosted rough strips of one by three inch stuff. The roost I constructed in one solid piece.

It was made so that there would be about three inches from the floor of the elevated coop. This arrangement would not do for the lighter breeds, which prefer higher roosting places.

The next step was to close in the front of the coop, which I did by using the pieces which had been removed from it.

About two-thirds of the front is boarded up, the remainder being covered with a double thickness of common burlap. The door is left off during the greater part of the year, but



Arrangement of Poultry Run.

is necessary during the very cold weather.

Two box-seats and a small board (with strips) from the ground to the upper part of the coop completed the job.

The end of the nest facing the front was boarded up high, to give the hens the necessary seclusion.

When the coop was completed I raised the end door and laid an old newspaper on the floor, covering it very thickly with sand. On this I placed the roost, and the coop was ready for occupancy. To clean, it is simply necessary to take out and throw away the newspaper, and put in a fresh one, with more sand.

In summer, with one of these coops, it would be well to open a side door to afford sufficient ventilation, and it would be well to keep fewer birds in each pen. During the winter, in one of the "bird-cage" arrangements, we keep from five to seven large White Rock hens, with good results.

Bearing in mind that about six hens could ordinarily be kept in each coop, any one may tell, from the number of chickens he intends to keep, how the system can be extended to his needs.

Layers for Next Winter.

One great advantage of having early chicks is that you may have pullets ready to lay in the fall or early winter and thus have eggs when they are high in price. Eggs are dear now, and one could appreciate pullets that were shelling out eggs.

Object of Scrubs.

Scrub poultry may serve a good purpose in the pot, but they should not be permitted to propagate their kind. Scrub hens should be mated to pure-bred males so that the breeding has an upward rather than a downward tendency.

BEAR CUBS PAY FOR
COLLEGE TUITIONS

Boy Trappers Readily Sell Their Captives for From \$30 to \$40 a Pair.

Ashford, Wash.—Two brothers living on a ranch near here, named Oscar and Burr Heyburn, will enter the State university next fall and will maintain themselves on money they have earned the last five years selling bear cubs. The Heyburn boys live a mile from the Mount Rainier forest reserve, where shooting is prohibited and where bears multiply so fast as to be a menace to farming and ranching operations in the adjacent regions.

The boys contrived a trap which, when baited with fresh salmon caught



The Traps Were Effective.

in nets back of the Heyburn barn, served to tempt recently weaned cubs. The traps, while simple, were very effective, and each summer season the boys have been able to capture from 30 to 40 cubs. The district worked measured ten miles by eleven. They found a ready market for the bears in city park commissioners, summer resorts, as pets for sportsmen's children and for circuses.

Fat, well-kept black bear cubs are worth from \$30 to \$40 a pair at the Heyburn ranch, and at this price easily disposed of. At the bear cub ranch the little rogues had to be kept inside a pen covered twice with the heaviest wire fencing. They were fed on alfalfa and fish.

DOGS TO HAVE MANICURIST.

Also Veterinarian to Say How Much Solid and Liquid Foods They Consume.

San Francisco.—Before departing for the east the other day on the double mission of visiting her fiancé, Malcolm Whitman, as well as to purchase her wedding trousseau, Miss Jennie A. Crocker inaugurated a number of changes de luxe in her \$150,000 dog kennels at Hillsborough, which she believes will aid in promoting the happiness of her sixty or more blue-blooded canines.

Henceforth every one of her pets will have their nails manicured once



Their Nails Manicured.

each month by a dainty feminine expert. Each animal will have a tooth brush all its own. The teeth will be cleaned twice a day. The first occasion will occur when the dog awakens from a night's slumber, the second event when the canine retires. The other changes are of a nature that only one adept in the science of a veterinarian can comprehend. They govern how many courses of solid and liquid foods are to be given the animals each day as nourishment. The new rules and regulations formulated by the society girl will keep the three imported care-takers of her kennel exceedingly busy.

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